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DISASTROUS FIRE AT TAIKOKTSUI

**Karens
Agree To
Surrender**

**FIGHTING ENDS
AT INSEIN**

Rangoon, Apr. 5.—Saw Ba U Gyl, President of the fighting Karen tribesmen who have been in revolt against the Government since the end of January, went to Rangoon under protective escort today to sign surrender terms, a pro-Government report stated.

A cease-fire was ordered at Insein, a Karen-held railway town 10 miles north of Rangoon, after Saw Ba U Gyl's unconditional surrender offer, the report added. The tribesmen took over the town on February 2 and have fought off repeated Government attacks.

Last month, the Government offered an amnesty to the Karens—Burma's largest minority—if they stopped fighting by April 1.

In a nationwide broadcast to-night, the Burmese Prime Minister, U Nu, promised that elections would be held within a month if the insurgents stopped immediately. Besides the Karens, Government troops are fighting the Communists, the Mons tribesmen and the "White Band" members of the People's Volunteer Organisation.

The Premier said he refused to "acquiesce to political blackmail who attempt to wrest power by force."—Reuter.

CABINET CHANGES

Rangoon, April 5.—Lieut. General Ne Win, Commander-in-Chief of Burma's armed forces, yesterday became Burma's Deputy Prime Minister, it was officially announced.

He will also be in charge of Defence and Home Affairs. The Portfolio of Foreign Affairs passes into the hands of another new Cabinet Minister, Supreme Court Judge Lee Maung, who is also in charge of Judicial, Rehabilitation, Health and Rural Administration.

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**Over 50 Buildings
Destroyed**

SQUATTERS' HUTS AND SMALL FACTORIES

Over 50 structures, including squatters' huts and small wooden factories were destroyed today in a disastrous early morning blaze at Taikoktsui, in the vicinity of the Cosmopolitan Docks.

One Chinese was slightly injured and was sent to the Kowloon Hospital, but there was no loss of life.

The fire was in a confined area, densely populated with squatters, and with a profusion of miscellaneous factories containing rubber, hydrochloric acid, and printing ink all of which contributed to the rapidity with which the flames spread.

Scattered at intervals between the factories were timber yards and places for the storage of time and other goods of a dangerous nature. A small cracker shop was completely destroyed.

The area involved comprised about 400 feet by 600 feet and was situated along Boundary Street, between the Tong Mei Market and the Cosmopolitan Dockyard.

Shortly after 5.30 o'clock fire broke out near the Tong Mei Market and soon became a raging inferno which could be seen for miles around.

BLAZE SPREADS

First call for assistance was received by the Mongkok Fire Station which dispatched appliances under Divisional Officer C. Seymour and the "third alarm" indicating that the outbreak was severe and spreading, was sent through to the Terminus Fire Station, Kowloon. Under Divisional Officer H. Tipinday, an appliance was sent to the scene of the fire, the outbreak were the Kin Tack machinery factory and the Wah

Hing Lung machinery shop, while at the far end the Yan Kee metal works factory and the Hongkong Shipyard Limited were threatened with flames for several hours.

Fanned by a strong easterly wind the flames were carried from structure to structure with loud crackling sounds emanating as the Police rushed into doorways to make sure that there were no people about.

The Fire Brigade were hampered in their work by the fact that the lanes, some of them very muddy, were too narrow for appliances to get to the front of the fire. Assisting the Brigade were the No. 2 fireboat which ran its hoses through the Hongkong Shipyard.

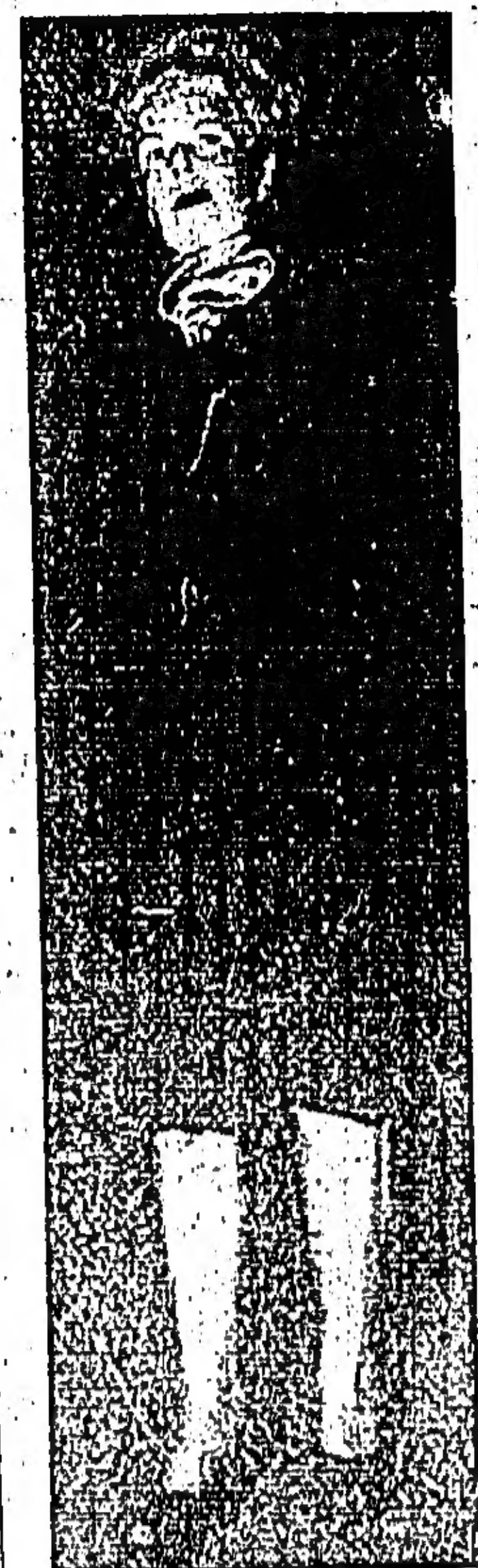
BOY SCOUTS ASSIST

Several Chinese Boy Scouts in uniform also helped, while a group of about twelve foks playing a group of extinguishers onto an oil factory as the flames came steadily towards it. These combined fire fighting efforts prevented the blaze from developing into more serious proportions.

Mass evacuation was soon under way, men, women and children rushing to and fro with their belongings amid much excitement, while foks worked feverishly to retrieve printing machinery and drums of wood oil.

Clogs scattered here and there were clear indications of the

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Mildred E. (Axis Sally) Gillars walks from Federal district court in Washington after being sentenced to 10 to 30 years in prison for treason. Judge Edward M. Curran also fined her \$10,000.—AP Picture.

RUSSIANS MASSING TROOPS IN POLAND

**May Be Preparing
To Attack West**

Washington, Apr. 5.—Two recently escaped Polish officials said today that Russia has massed more than 300,000 troops in Poland for an attack on the West "which may come this year." The two Poles were presented at a press conference by the former Vice-Premier, Stanislaw Mikolajczyk. They said that Russia has been intensifying military preparations in Poland in the past six months. They said that the Soviet troops in Poland six months ago totalled 300,000 and have been "increased considerably" since.

One of the two men, Stanislaw Baneyk, vice-chairman of the Polish Peasant Party, said he personally witnessed large scale Soviet war manoeuvres on the Baltic coast recently, in which tanks and planes participated.

Both Baneyk and his companion, Stanislaw Wojcik, secretary-general of the Peasant Party, were underground workers in Poland throughout the last war and are well known for their intelligence activities on behalf of the West.

The Poles said the Polish Army has been newly purged of "unreliable" and increased the numbers of Soviet commissars brought into its ranks. They said the Polish Air Force has been subjected to a particularly exclusive purge and that not only Soviet officers but also Soviet soldiers are being installed there.

WAR "NECESSARY"

They said the Polish Army was accumulating medical supplies, buying them from Sweden and Switzerland, and that new barracks were being built and old ones rebuilt. They said that since spring, 1948, Polish commissars in the soldiers have been telling the soldiers that a war with the West "is necessary." Asked if there was any indication when the reportedly planned attack would be launched, the Poles said it was their feeling and that it could happen this year. Baneyk and Wojcik said they escaped from Poland two months ago and arrived here last week. They would not reveal their route other than to indicate that they had passed through Germany.—United Press.

London, Apr. 5.—Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh were guests of Dr. Cheng Tien-hsi, the Chinese Ambassador in London, at a dinner at the Embassy tonight.—Reuter.

10,000 Chinese Reds Threaten Indo-China

Hanoi, Apr. 5.—Some 10,000 uniformed and well-armed Chinese Communists are massed on the northern frontier of Indo-China awaiting the order to attack French positions, a highly qualified French source said yesterday.

These Communist forces include 10 battalions on the Laos-Hongkong border, on the Northwest frontier, and 10 battalions on the Northeastern border between Langson and Monney, the scene of a recent "feeling out" assault by the Chinese.

This source revealed that the French High Command expects a "strong strike" at any moment in the Northeastern section where the Chinese are more numerous and where they can count on the support of Communist cells among the local population.

All these Chinese troops are under the command of Communist General Tchou Kia-ph, Commander of the Yunnan and Kwangsi regions, according to this source.

Two Chinese Communist regiments—the 20th and the 21st—are concentrated in the region of Monney, according to intelligence reports. Recent attacks on Monney were led by two battalions from the 20th regiment said to be commanded by Colonel Sam Ong Dhow.

This source said the Chinese Communist troops were wearing khaki and helmets bearing a red star.

TONKIN SITUATION

The situation of French forces in Tonkin—the Northern section of Indo-China—was described "unfavourable" because of the lack of manpower. This has forced French troops to go on the defensive against attacks by the rebel Viet Minh—Indo-Chinese Nationalist—forces.

This source said that unless an "urgent remedy" was applied, the position of these French troops could become "perilous." French sources said that a week ago the commander of the Chinese Nationalist Ninth regiment stationed at Tongking, a Chinese town facing Monney, sent a message to French officials admitting he was unable to prevent Communists from passing through his lines to attack the French.

Informed French military sources predict a joint assault by the Chinese Communists from the North coupled with Viet Minh guerrillas from the rear on French posts.—Associated Press.

Girl Quads Born

Colombo, Apr. 5.—Quadruplets, all girls, were born to 25-year old Mrs. A. W. Martin, wife of a labourer, in the Kandy Civil Hospital today, according to the Ceylon Observer. The weights of the children ranged from two pounds 12 ounces to three pounds five ounces. The mother was reported in good health.—Reuter.

CHINA PEACE TALKS DEADLOCKED

Nanking, Apr. 6.—The peace negotiations between the Communists and Nationalists, which started yesterday, were deadlocked today after the Reds handed out a new demand that a satisfactory solution of the student-soldier clash in Nanking on Friday must be reached before any talks would be resumed.

The official Central Daily News, reporting on the negotiations, said that Liu Chung-hua, one of the four members of the government delegation who made a sudden return to Nanking late yesterday, reported to Premier Ho Ying-chin that the Communists broke off the talks and refused to meet the government peace delegates again until the Nanking government could announce a settlement, in which leaders of the soldiers responsible for the clash are properly punished.

The clash occurred on the day that the peace talks opened when students marching towards the Presidential office encountered a group of dejected soldiers. A fight broke out when the soldiers were angered by the students' chanting of Communist songs and slogans dancing in the streets. One student was fatally injured and more than 60 others suffered various degrees of injury.

Premier Ho Ying-chin was reported to have cabled General Chang Chih-chung, chairman of the delegation, for a full report of the Red demand regarding the clash. There was no information here on what kind of a settlement the Reds were demanding regarding the subject.

DELEGATES RETURN

Four members of the government peace delegation returned unexpectedly from Peking to Nanking secretly late yesterday and Premier Ho Ying-chin shortly after said a call at the residence of Acting President Li Tsung-jen.

All signs pointed to some development of extreme importance but responsible official sources, approached for information, replied that they were instructed not to talk.

One source, however, revealed that one of the four returned was Liu Chung-hua, adviser to the delegation.

The other three members were not identified, but were believed to be secretaries of the delegation.

There was no confirmation of the purpose of their flight back to Nanking, but it was believed either for consultation on certain important phases of the negotiations or else brought possible new Communist demands.

A responsible source said the return of the four members was not a pre-arranged plan.

NO INKLING

There was no inkling of the subject discussed when the Premier called on the Acting President.

This development occurred almost an hour after the Chinese Communist radio let loose another blast at the Nanking government, in which was included Chang Chih-chung, chairman of the peace delegation now in Peking. The broadcast said, "The Nanking Li Tsung-jen Ho Ying-chin government, including its Chang Chih-chung delegation, is essentially a mixed composition" following two policies—"Standing closer to the Chiang Kai-shek war criminal bloc and their master, American imperialism" on one hand and on the other "vacillating its crossroads without a clear direction. They want to have dealings with both sides and get along with both sides."—United Press.

Manchester, April, 5.—John Russell Scott, Governing Director and Chairman of the Manchester Guardian and Evening News, Limited, died yesterday. He was 60.—Associated Press.

EDITORIAL

Britain's Budget Pie Prospects

SIR Stafford Cripps presents his second budget to the House of Commons today, and it can be expected to range, not only over the financial situation of the United Kingdom, but also over the economic outlook as described in the Economic Survey for 1948 lately published. The Chancellor of the Exchequer may well feel encouraged by the accuracy of his estimating for the past year. Last April he forecast a surplus of £330 million, which is now likely to be £350 million; and which expenditure was £200 million more than anticipated, revenue surpassed the estimate by £240 million. But while to the taxpayer at home a well balanced budget represents good housekeeping, his chief interest in Sir Stafford Cripps' House of Commons statement today will centre on whether or not there can be any lightening of the current taxation burdens. The prospects are not bright. It is reasonably certain that Sir Stafford will again emphasise the necessity of combatting inflation, which means restraint on the home demand for consumer goods in order to maintain the export drive: allied to which is the process of reducing the nation's dependency on foreign aid and of eliminating the balance of payments deficit of last year. The indications are that little relief is to be expected from any increase in the national income. But for the Chancellor to announce that stringent measures are to be continued for another year will not be enough. It will be for him and his colleagues in the Government to secure their acceptance by the people. So he is likely to reiterate that the evils of inflation, so far avoided with considerable success, can continue to be kept off only

if the nation as a whole is ready to co-operate with the Government. Both by direct control and by keeping prices steady through subsidies on essential goods the Government is doing its part. Further, it is saving by the budget surplus. The call, therefore, is likely to be renewed for employers and workers to hold back their claims, reasonable though they might be in earlier times, for higher wages, prices and dividends. And there is almost certain to be another call to the people to save more, though it must be admitted that recent experience does not encourage confidence as to the response to any such request. It will be interesting to observe whether the Government will yield to pressure recently applied by the Trades Union Council and other quarters to lighten the cost of living by reducing, for instance, the purchase tax on a wide range of essential and near-essential goods. The prospects are that Sir Stafford Cripps will attempt to reach a compromise, for it is supremely an economic argument, and economic arguments are against reductions. Closely allied to the financial and economic aspects of today's Budget is the intensification of the dollar export drive. Up to now progress in this lifeline of Britain's prosperity, though encouraging, has not fulfilled expectations, and it is now admitted that exports are harder to make and that a new effort is needed. This, almost assuredly the Government will request, but that it be heeded by the men and women upon whom the Government depends, is probably contingent on whether they are personally encouraged through the medium of taxation concessions.

Fewer People Dying

Geneva, Apr. 5.—The United Nations World Health Organisation today reported that deaths throughout the world reached a record low in 1947 and added that the 1948 figures will show another decline. It said that all but three European countries which submitted data had a lower death rate in 1947 than in the 1937-38 period. The Netherlands had the lowest death rate in the world—only 8.1 per 1,000 in 1947.—United Press.

ELECTION DEFEAT FOR LABOUR

Conservatives' Claim

London, Apr. 5.—Conservative Party Headquarters today claimed sweeping victories in the first round of the County Council elections.

Seven counties in England and Wales voted yesterday for new county governments, 14 were voting today and 41 other counties will ballot through the remainder of this week. A Tory spokesman said Conservative gains yesterday pointed to a triumph for Mr. Winston Churchill's Party in the general Parliamentary elections next year.

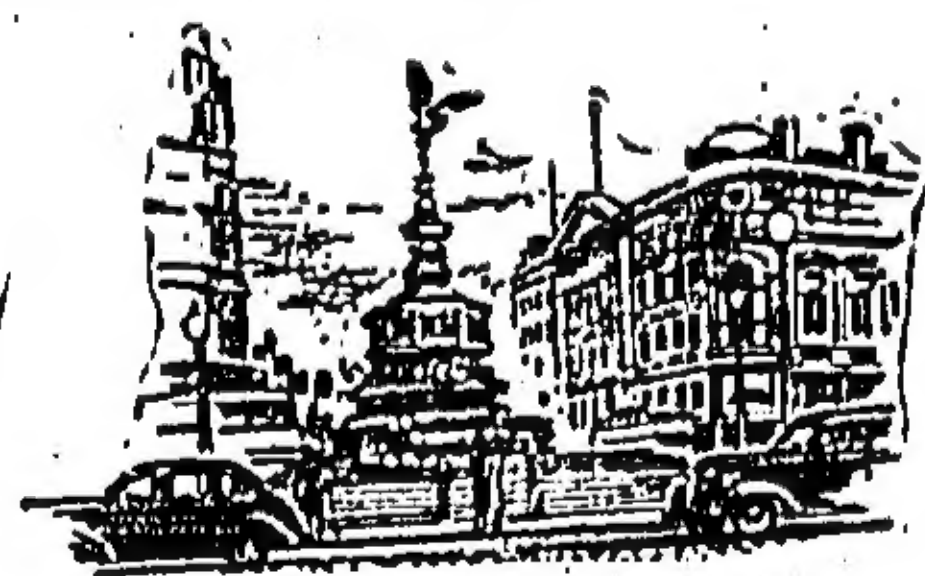
"It is impossible to separate the county elections from the general elections because the same voting register is used," he said.

LATEST TREND

Latest returns showed the Conservatives had increased their control in five counties which they held before the elections but had not dislodged the Labourites from control of two other counties—both located in Welsh industrial districts.

Final results in six out of seven counties showed that the Conservatives won 35 additional seats while Labour lost six seats and other Parties lost 29 seats. Labour Party Headquarters reported earlier today that it had suffered a net loss of 13 seats.

The Conservatives claimed Labour had a net loss of 16 seats compared with the Conservatives' net gain of 28 seats.—United Press.



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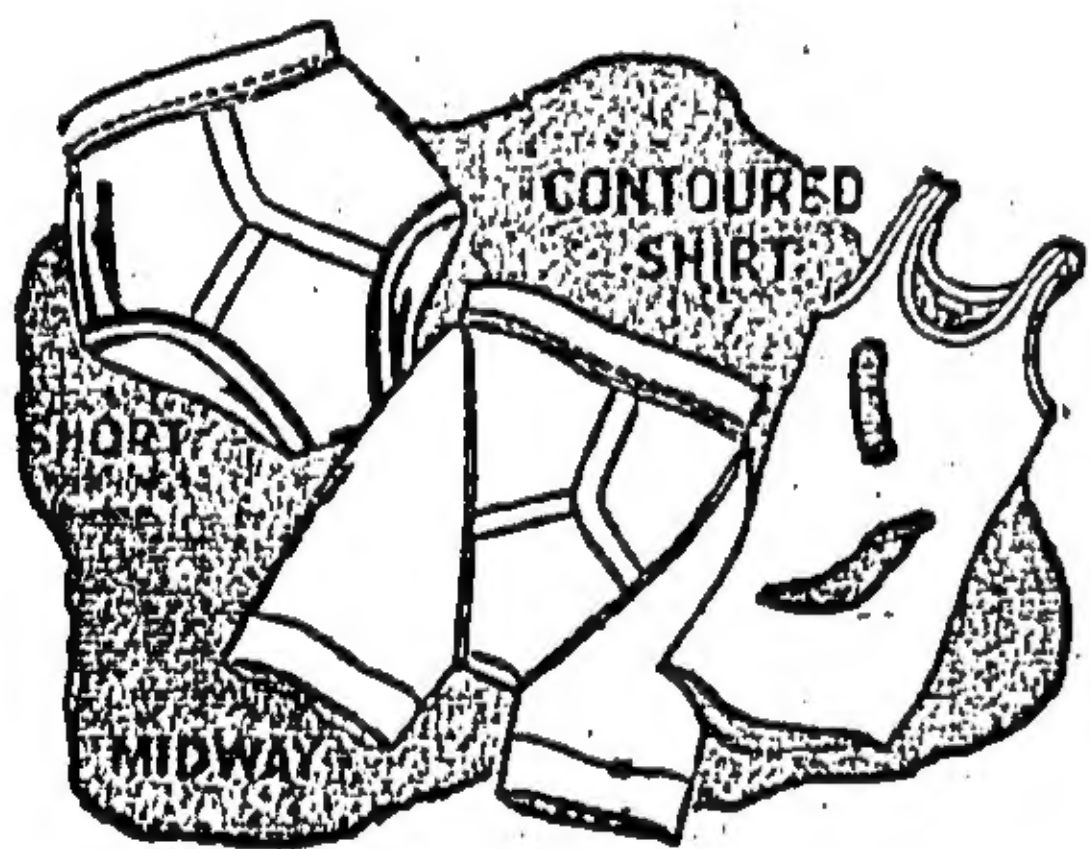
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WOMANSENSE

Brilliant Afternoon



By PRUNELLA WOOD

THAT incredibly tough and resilient thin taffeta called
"paper", although it is pure silk, makes this after-
noon frock, one of a demure and colourful series which
has the Maria Krum imprint this season. The frock floats
like chiffon, keeps a crisp silhouette as only taffeta can,
and in this model, lends itself to the late afternoon gala,
such as wedding or debutante tea, with a garden hat, and
will do as well for the roof dinner on the Sunday luncheon
in the country.

The colours in this particular taffeta combine fuchsia,
bottle green and bright yellow in an overlaid for yellow
chiffon. The checks are so tiny that the effect at a
distance is of a rosy sulphur tone. The guimpe is white
mousseline de soie.

GOOD POSTURE IS A HEALTH ASSET

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

GOOD posture is not only an
aid to beauty but a positive
health asset. In other words,
if you indulge in slumping you
will eventually pay a price for
it—and a painful one, because
one of the penalties usually
exact is backache.

Of course, backache may
result from other causes but by
far the most common type of
low back pain is due to nothing
more than a long-continued
habit of faulty standing or sit-
ting.

When a person stands correct-
ly—head high, chest in, shoulders
back, abdomen flat—his body is
perfectly balanced and poised
for action. Very little effort is
required to keep it in the up-
right position. But suppose the
abdomen sags, the chest is flat-
tened, the shoulders humped,
and the back swayed inward.
Then everything is thrown out
of alignment and normal body
balance is upset. In order to
maintain the erect position,
undesired strain is placed on
muscles and ligaments which
support the spine. Long-term
result of such strain is pain in
the lower part of the back
where the stress is greatest.

Mechanical Backache

This type of backache is
known as mechanical backache
because it is due to a dis-
turbance of the factors which
upset normal body balance.
Other things which may con-
tribute to it are relaxed
abdominal muscles, overweight,
and weak back muscles.
Certain individuals suffer from
this same sort of pain because
one leg is shorter than the other.
In these cases strain on the back
muscles is increased by a tilting
of the hips.

The same things which pro-
duce a mechanical backache
may also play a part in
inflammation of the connecting

tissues or fibrositis, arthritis, or
inflammation of the joints in the
spine, or similar conditions.

Women are the chief victims
of mechanical backache, possibly
due to the frequency in women
of poor posture and weak
muscles.

To make a diagnosis of
mechanical backache, a
thorough study of the lower
part of the back, but sometimes
the patient complains of pain
and discomfort over the entire
lower back extending into the
buttocks. The pain does not
pass into the legs.

Present For Years

The disturbance is usually
present for many years. The
patient is not incensed since the
pain, as a rule, is not severe.
The pain is made worse by
activity and relieved by rest.
Standing and sitting for long
periods may increase the dis-
comfort.

Once the diagnosis is made,
treatment properly carried out
will relieve the symptoms.

The patient with mechanical
backache should sleep on a firm
bed, using a piece of plywood
between the mattress and
springs. Heat will aid in relax-
ing the back muscles and stimu-
late circulation. Hot tub baths
are satisfactory. An infra-red
lamp or a heating pad may be
used. Massage is helpful. Certain
exercises, carried out regularly,
will also be of great benefit. A
supporting corset or belt may be
worn if the abdominal muscles
are weak and if the patient is
overweight.

EXPERT STUDIES MUSEUM WORK WITH CHILDREN

By MILLICENT TAYLOR

Boston. miniature, choosing the occu-
pation of several
museum experts con-
nected with the Inter-
national Council of Museums
of UNESCO. Mrs. Molly
Harrison, after five weeks
in 15 American cities, has
recently gone back to Lon-
don. Mrs. Harrison is cur-
ator of the Geffrye Museum
in London and serves on
ICOM's children's section.
One of the decisions at the
Museum meeting in Paris
last summer was to make
as effectual contacts as
possible with one another's
museums before the next
meeting.

Mrs. Harrison came to the
United States as a guest of the
American Museum of Natural
History in New York, a museum
doing outstanding work with
children. Her brief stay in
Boston was largely divided be-
tween the Museum of Fine
Arts and the Children's
Museum.

Educational Work

"THE idea of the children's
sector is to foster educa-
tional work in museums," she
told me. "We hope to encourage
museums to play a part in in-
ternational understanding
through such activities as stag-
ing national exhibits, teaching
children through games and
other ways to understand and
enjoy the museum treasures,
and through correspondence and
interchange of information be-
tween museums. When we meet
in London in 1950 there will be
a pooling of ideas and experi-
ences."

The "children's museum" fa-
miliar to many American cities
is wholly an American idea, Mrs.
Harrison said. The museums
being studied by ICOM and its
children's sector are for the
most part general ones, for
adults as well as for children.
Many of these adult museums
have a programme of activities
with children, however. Even
as we talked, children trooped
past us through the echoing
halls of Boston's Art Museum,
chattering happily with the
guards. Saturday morning they
fairly take over, with painting
and modelling classes all over
the place.

British and American
museums have been active for
some time in interesting chil-
dren, Mrs. Harrison said. Both
have a system of loan schemes
to the schools, and arrange for
school groups visiting the
museums. Children's painting
classes and hobby groups are
also familiar to both countries.
Games are found chiefly in the
Children's Museums in the
United States. The Geffrye is a
museum for all ages.

Museum Games

"I was a little disappointed in
your games," Mrs. Harrison con-
fessed and added quickly that
she didn't mean to criticize.
Pressed, however, she com-
mented that the games she had
seen in American museums
tend to stress memory work
rather than initiative and
originality. I recalled that one
of the Geffrye Museum games
was to furnish period rooms in

HOUSEHOLD HINT

If you are an amateur at
laundry, it is safer not to
mix your coloured clothes with
white ones, nor one colour with
another, until you are sure there
will be no colour running of the
dyes. It is best to test samples
before buying coloured materials
that are not guaranteed colour
fast; or, if you have purchased
unwarranted material, test a
small portion before you put
it with other clothes.

Chic Turban



By ALICE ALDEN

IT TAKES A definitely dainty
hand to drape a silk jersey hat that is always good when-
turban. And that is the happy over worn. It is a draped
possession of Baronesse Rad-
vansky, newest addition to for resort wear now and for
New York galaxy of bright town later.

Keep an Eye on Your Neck



For a lovely throat line: Line chin strap with cotton that has been
saturated with water then astringent. Leave the chin strap on twenty
minutes.

By HELEN FOLLETT

DO you keep an eye on your
neck or are you just trust-
ing to luck that it will re-
main all right by itself? Well,
it just won't. Neglect it and
it will get even with you. It
may become discoloured or fiddle
strings may appear—yes,
you don't have to be old to get
them.

A pouch under the chin is
more damning than the record
in the family bible; that can
come early if one partakes too
freely of the good things of the
table, neglects the nightly
tapping and creaming.

Remember, you can't hide
your beauty defects in the cup-
board or a dresser drawer; they
are right there for everyone to
see. So attend to your good
looks tasks without fail. Tap
your chin and neck with the
back of your hands after you
have creamed your face before
going to bed. Use also an up-
ward and outward movement
with the finger tips.

Cold water will help to keep
the fibres firm. If you use soap
and water at night, it won't be
necessary to slather lather on
your face in the morning. Rinse
briskly with cold water, then
apply an astringent.

There are special corrective
preparations for the neck and
throat that you can buy, if you
like. An extra-rich neck cream
which can be used with or
without a chin strap is
especially helpful.

If you have a short hair cut,
be mindful of the way it is
trimmed and dressed at the
back. If the neck is long and
thin, turn the ends of the tresses
under. If the neck is round
and plump give them an up-
ward turn.

The neck lines of frocks and
blouses have a decided effect
upon appearance. The old rule,
a V cut for the plumpies, will
hold good in every case. The
square line is fashionable again;
it is a pretty trick that calls for
a pretty throat.

If you are given to wearing
necklaces, be canny when you
choose them. Heavy, elaborate
ones are only for the woman
with a large frame and good
proportions. On a cute little
trick of a girl they are not as
becoming as lighter designs.
And do protect your neck
against coat collars that may
make the skin rough or dis-
coloured.

Let's Eat

BY
IDA BAILEY ALLEN



Vitamin-Packed Sauerkraut

TRY this new salad, Madame.
My latest invention," said
the Chef, placing before me an
enticing looking plate contain-
ing a generous-sized mound of
what appeared to be a form of
potato salad, nestled in lettuce
and garnished with sliced carrot
and pickle relish.

I tasted, forkful. "Potato
salad made with sauerkraut!"
I exclaimed.

The Chef beamed. "You can
serve it as a hot or cold salad,
or as an appetizer; and I suppose
you will say that it contains
plenty of vitamins," he added.
"Oh, yes, the sauerkraut con-
tains a high percentage of
Vitamin C, and in addition
appreciable amounts of all the
known vitamins and many
minerals. Sauerkraut really
should be regularly on a
marketing list," I observed. "It's
appetizing, it's nutritious, in-
expensive and there are dozens
of ways to use it."

"In France one of our
most popular dishes is
choucroute garnie or what
you call garnished sauer-
kraut," said the Chef. "I
heat the sauerkraut in a little
browned butter, and sometimes
we add a few bits of crisp
cooked bacon, or a little caraway
seed. We serve this on a deep
platter, and garnish it with a
few slices of heated tongue, or
ham, or sausages, and we
surround it with parried
potatoes and quarters of cooked
carrots. A very substantial
dinner dish."

Dinner

Sauerkraut Potato-Meat Salad
Eggplant Casserole
Quick Nut and Raisin Bread
Butter or Margarine
Peach-Gel
Hot or Cold Coffee or Tea
Milk (Children)

All Measurements are Level
Recipes Serve Four

Sauerkraut Potato-Meat Salad

Small slice 4 warm cooked
potatoes. Add 1/2 c.
French dressing, 2 tbsp. fine-
grated onion or minced scallions
with the green tops, and 1
tbsp. parsley. Then with a
fork stir in 1 c. well-drained
finned sauerkraut, 1/2 c. fine-
diced celery or firm port-
cucumber, 3/4 c. fine-diced
chilled flaked luncheon meat or
thinned chopped ham, 2 sliced
cooked carrots, and cooked salad
dressing to blend. Chill; pack

Eggplant Casserole

Thoroughly oil a 3-pt.
casserole. Wash and slice 1
medium-sized eggplant. Do not
peel it. Cut the slices in halves,
brown lightly in vegetable fat
and place a layer in the bottom
of the casserole. Dust with a
little salt and pepper. Follow
with a layer of 4 sliced, peeled,
medium-sized onions; 4 chopped,
peeled, ripe tomatoes; 1/2 c.
drained canned tomatoes-mixed
with 1 tsp. sugar. Top with the
remaining eggplant. Dust with
savoury fat. Cover and bake in
the moderate oven, 350 to 375 F.
about 1 hr. or until the eggplant
is tender. Fifteen minutes before
the dish will be done, remove
the cover and brown the top. If
desired 1/4 c. grated sharp
Cheddar cheese may be sprinkled
over before browning.

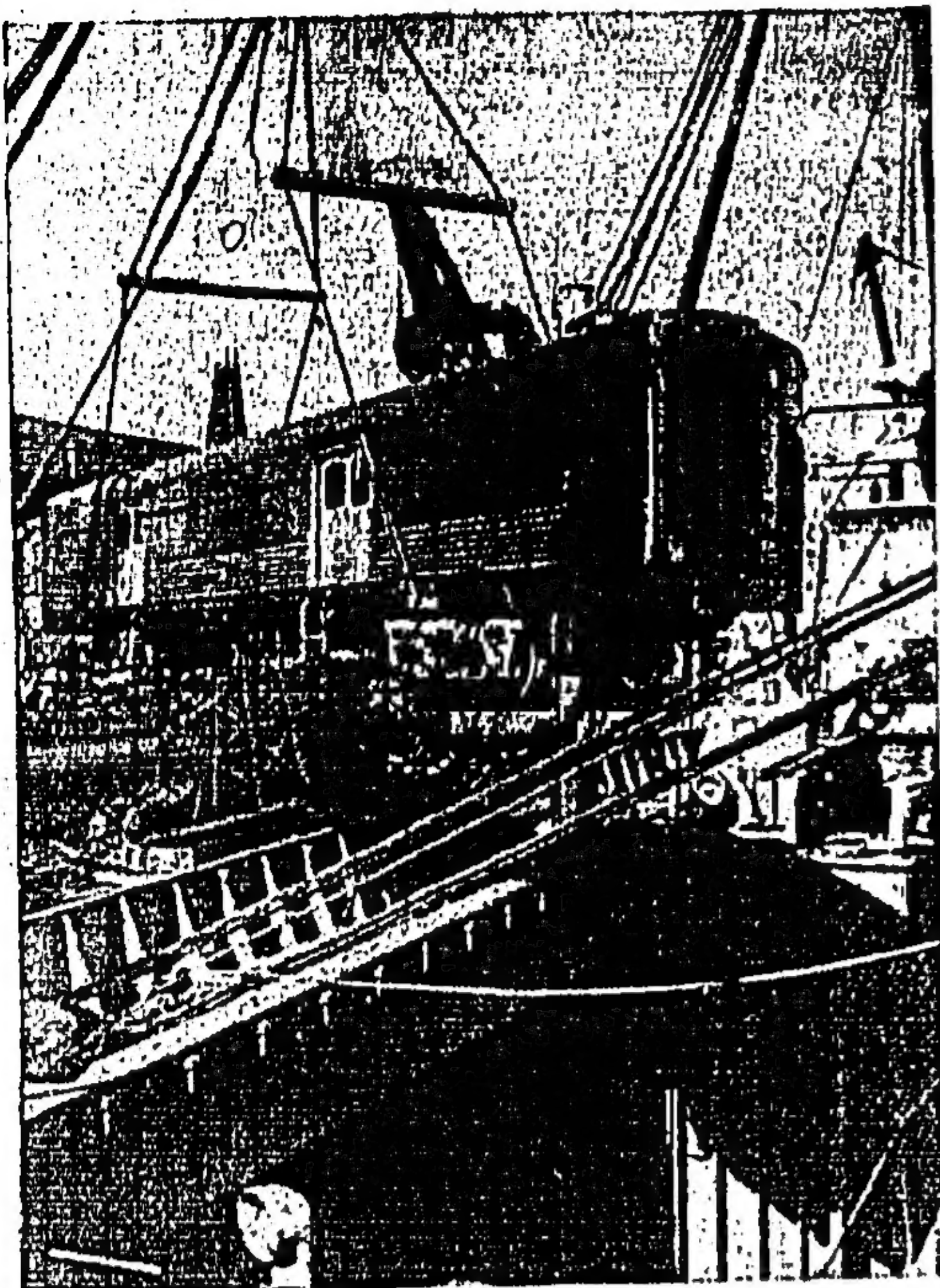
Nut and Raisin Bread

Sift together 4 c. all-purpose
flour, 4 tsp. baking powder, 1/2
tsp. salt and 1/2 c. sugar. Add 2/3 c.
coarse-chopped nuts, any kind,
and 1/2 c. coarse-chopped
raisins. Beat 2 eggs light. Add
2 c. milk and stir into the first
mixture. Add 1/4 c. melted
shortening and mix lightly.
Do not beat. Transfer to 1
large or 2 small oiled bread
pans, making the mixture
higher at the edges than in the
centre; bake 45 to 50 min. in a
moderate oven, 375 F. Cool
before using. If wrapped in
waxed paper and stored in a
bread box or the refrigerator,
this bread will keep moist for
several days.

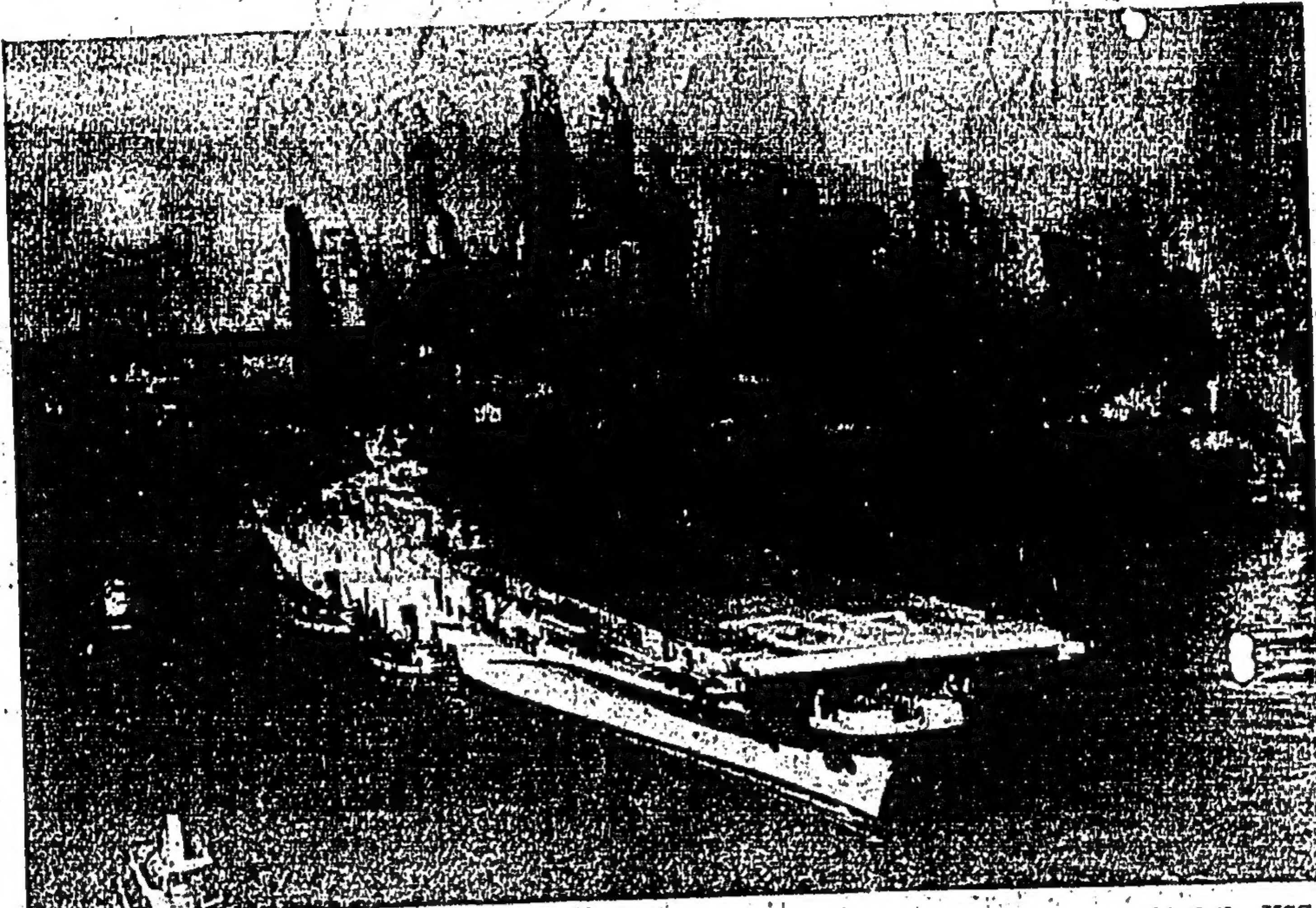
Peach-Gel

Add 1 (1 envelope)
unflavoured gelatin to 1/2 c. cold
fruit juice, any kind. Stir in 1/4
c. heated fruit juice, any kind.
Add 1/2 tsp. lemon or lime
juice, 1/3 c. sugar and 1/4 tsp.
salt. Chill until beginning to
thicken. Meanwhile, peel and
stone 2 medium-sized ripe
peaches. Place cut side down in
a square layer cake pan 8" x
8", previously rinsed with cold
water and sprinkled with 1/2 tsp.
granulated sugar. Carefully
spoon the gelatin over the
peaches, chill and cut in
squares with a peach half in
each. Four soft custard around.

WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



HEADING FOR SOUTH AMERICA—Being loaded aboard the ss Belgeane in Philadelphia is one of 23 stainless steel railway carriages for use on Brazil's largest railway.



THE LAST ROUNDUP—Brooklyn Bridge and the skyscrapers of lower Manhattan loom behind the USS Tarawa as the 27,000-ton carrier moves up the East River towards the naval shipyard. Already stripped of her radar, the Tarawa, which recently visited Hongkong, is to go into "suspended animation."



BOWS AND ARROWS—Since archery has become such a popular sport, film star Gene Tierney decided to learn something about it. While spending a winter holiday in Key West, Florida, she took lessons from expert Henry Brent.



LARGE AND SMALL—Sybil Jepson examines two pieces of quartz crystal which were on show at the Institute of Radio Engineers' Show in New York's Grand Central Palace. Quartz crystal is widely used in the electronics industry.



INTERNATIONAL—Inspecting the San Francisco City Hall are some of the delegates who attended the 18th annual convention of the Young Women's Christian Association in the city. The 2,000 delegates were from all over the world.



DESERT DRESS—This hand-knitted sweater and wool skirt modelled in Phoenix, Arizona, is just right for cool nights. It is topped with a white straw sailor hat.



GI INSPECTION IN GERMANY—Laid out for inspection in Augsburg, Germany, is the equipment carried in an M-24 tank. The US Army Constabulary in Germany has been reorganised and built up to the strength of a powerful armoured division. It is equipped with 46 and 20-ton tanks.



SETTLERS—The Bodnar family, from Sanok, Poland, was the largest family group among the displaced persons to arrive in New York aboard the Marine Flasher. Sponsored by the Ukrainian-American Relief Committee, they plan to settle in Maryland. Bodnar was forced by the Nazis to leave Poland and work on a farm in Bavaria during the war.



FROM THE PAST—These animals, one of many breeds which once roamed the European plains and, in some cases, were wiped out more than three centuries ago, live again in the Munich Zoo. Famous naturalist Heinrich Heck has, through breeding, restored these ancestors of the cow.

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Mahjong Murder Trial Defence Opens

"DEAD MAN WAS THE AGGRESSOR" CLAIM

In his opening address to the jury in the Pottinger Street Murder trial, Mr Percy Chen (Counsel for accused) said this morning that he was going to rely on statements of witnesses made at the time of the incident that there was a fight between accused and deceased.

He would also submit that the deceased was the aggressor, inasmuch as that he had lost a large sum of money at mahjong that night, and that being dissatisfied with the circumstances, he was ready to pick a quarrel with anyone.

Accused in the trial is Ngai Pak-chun, 26, salesman, of the Wah On Stationery and Printing Store, Pottinger Street, who is accused of the murder of Lo Kin, his 26-year-old cousin and co-look on September 29 last.

The trial is being heard before the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson and a jury of five men and two women at the Criminal Sessions.

Appearing for the Crown is Mr A. Hooton, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det. Insp. T. Cashman. Mr Chen is for the accused, instructed by Mr A. S. K. Lau.

When the trial resumed this morning, Mr Chen said that accused would not give any evidence, and that he would conduct the case on accused's behalf.

Defence Counsel, addressing the jury, said that the accused was the son of the owner of the shop at 20, Pottinger Street, Ngai Kwok-leung.

Ngai was called as a witness for the prosecution in the lower Court, but was not tendered for cross-examination by the Crown in the present proceedings, he would be called as a witness for the defence.

Mr Chen said that accused's father would say that the accused was quiet and rather reticent, and was considered to be not as bright as the rest of the family.

Counsel said he would also call the younger brother of accused, Robert Ngai Pak-wai, who was also a prosecution witness.

These two witnesses, the father and brother of accused, would both say they were members of a respectable family in fairly well-to-do circumstances, Mr Chen continued.

Another witness he would call was Father Ngai, a Roman Catholic priest. Mr Ngai would say that accused left Wah Yan College at the age of 17, having only then reached class 7. He would say that accused was always very obedient and particularly quiet and reticent.

FIGHT ALLEGED

Referring to the alleged incident, Mr Chen said: "The prosecution relies on the fact that there were no signs of a fight, and on the fact that there must have been some interval 'cooling off' period between the quarrel and the fight. If it did take place, the defence is going to rely on the statements of prosecution witnesses made at the time of the incident, in which all and every one of the witnesses had said that there was a fight."

"The prosecution would also suggest to you that accused was the aggressor. For the defence I put it before you now that it was the deceased who had lost a sum of money that night equivalent to half his monthly pay, that the deceased was the one who was in a state of mind, shall we say, of dissatisfaction with the circumstances," said Mr Chen.

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith

She says she's got a terrible sunburn and it's too hot—I didn't think she'd get so lonesome first time she's been away in 42 years!

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Expectant Mothers Jump From Blazing Hospital

Effingham, (Illinois), Apr. 5.—Two women in labour escaped from the blazing hospital here early today in which nearly 60 people, including about 20 children, were feared to have lost their lives.

Both expectant mothers—one of whom jumped from a second-floor window—gave birth to babies immediately afterwards, and all four were reported doing well.

Eighteen inmates, including eight babies, were killed leaping from the windows of the four-story St. Anthony's Hospital, which was destroyed in less than an hour.

Many others were badly injured. Trapped victims screamed for help as flames from six nearby buildings battled to free them and relatives searched frantically for their kinsfolk in the intense heat.

Firemen found the bodies of 11 babies still in their flame-blackened metal cribs in the charred wreckage of the second floor.—The uncounted bodies of patients from upper floors were strewn about the nursery and under windows.

The Catholic nuns in charge of the hospital set up a first-aid station in a garage. Dr George Wood, a staff physician, put the number of dead at 50 to 55, but an accurate figure could not be given as the hospital records were lost. Police records showed that 55 people escaped.

The hospital chaplain, Father Sandon, was reported to have died. Two nuns and a nurse were missing.

The blaze was thought to have started in a coal chute with the flames flashing up a lift shaft and enveloping the whole building. The hospital is in the residential section of Effingham, a town of 8,000 population, 200 miles south of Chicago.—Reuter.

Missing Bank Manager Arrested

Daytona Beach (Florida), Apr. 5.—Richard Henderson Crowe, 40-year-old assistant branch manager of the National City Bank of New York, who is alleged to have disappeared on March 27 with \$884,669 of his bank's funds, was arrested here today.

Agents of the FBI followed Crowe into a dimly-lit bar at this Atlantic beach resort last night and held him under arrest. They moved so quietly that patrons of the tavern went on drinking unaware of the drama being acted.

Crowe surrendered quietly, but he was in a more aggressive frame of mind by this morning. While being escorted to a car by the Federal authorities, he lunged at a cameraman and partly smashed his camera.

He told police officers that he spent his time as a fugitive here, lounging on the sunny beach and visiting numerous bars. The FBI said it had recovered \$54,798 of the loot in a suitcase in the apartment house in which he was hiding under the name of Richard Karr. Another \$30,305 had been recovered previously.—United Press.

To Build Village For Children

New York, Apr. 5.—Mr Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., son of the late President, announced today that he had accepted the chairmanship of a committee which plans to build a \$1,000,000 children's village on the outskirts of Jerusalem.

Mr Roosevelt told reporters that the institution would care for 1,000 orphans and displaced children now in Europe. The project is under the auspices of the "Save-A-Child" Foundation.—Reuter.

"Dead" Baby Rescued From Sewer

Pittsburgh, April 5.—A newborn baby, thrown down a sewer by its mother, who thought it was "dead," was rescued by two police men today. The child was in "perfect" condition despite the fact that its early hours of life were spent in a clogged sewer.

The police found the 19-year-old mother in a park shelter where she had walked after giving birth to the seven-pound, unattended, baby. Taken to hospital, she said she thought the baby was dead because it "didn't cry."

The officers returned to the station after they had prised the grating off the sewer and reached down for the child, who was wrapped in a pillow-slip. It began crying as Patrolman Peter Settle cradled it in his arms. It was placed in the hospital incubator.

The mother will be charged with abandonment.—United Press.

Expelled From Hungary



In a hotel room in Vienna, Li-Col. John P. Merrill (right), points to photostatic copy of a receipt for garage bill which the Hungarian government says he refused to pay and for which reason he was expelled from the country. With him is Li-Col. Peter Kopsak (left), who also was expelled from Hungary. Both were assistant military attaches of the U.S. Legation at Budapest. Hungary also accused the two U.S. Army men of spying and "brutal abuse of diplomatic privileges."—AP Picture.

ISRAELI-SYRIAN ARMISTICE TALKS OPENED

No Man's Land Meeting

No Man's Land, Israeli-Syrian Border, Apr. 5.—Israeli and Syrian delegates held a three-hour meeting in the No Man's Land between their frontiers in Northern Palestine today to open negotiations for a fourth Jewish-Arab armistice.

Torrential rain was falling when the representatives assembled in a tent for the conference, under the Presidency of M. Henri Vizier, personal representative of the Acting Palestine Mediator, Dr Ralph Bunche.

The Israeli delegates objected to the credentials presented by the Syrians, which were signed by Syria's new head of State, Colonel Husni Zaim, who endorsed them as Chief of Staff of the Army.

The Israelis said that the talks were to be held between governments and not between armies, but the Syrians explained that a new government had not been formed in Damascus after last week's coup d'etat.

The Israelis then agreed to continue the talks but stated that this did not imply recognition by Israel of the new Syrian regime.

The next meeting will be held in the same place on Friday morning.

It is believed that the Syrians will be willing to strengthen their internal position after the recent coup d'etat by reaching an agreement with Israel and concentrating on domestic questions.

Israel has already signed armistice agreements with Egypt, Transjordan and Lebanon.—Reuter.

ARABS AGREE TO TALKS IN EUROPE

Beirut, Apr. 5.—All Arab States, except Iraq, agreed today to take part in an "exchange of views" in Europe with Israeli representatives present, it was stated in Beirut, capital of the Lebanon.

The Arab replies were sent to the United Nations Palestine Commission, which has been meeting in Beirut for three weeks. The Commission first discussed the refugee problem and then branched out into an attempt to bring the Israelis and

Karens Agree To Surrender

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Premier Thakin Nu will also assume the portfolio of National Planning.

Two additional portfolios were given to Finance Minister U Tin. These are Commerce and Supplies, Mines and Industry.

Former Judicial Minister Ba Gyan becomes Minister of Forests and Agriculture and Information Minister. Tun Ba assumes in addition the Education portfolio.

Mahn Win Maung, in addition to being Transport and Communications Minister, becomes Public Works and Labour Minister.

The announcement said the Frontier Areas Ministry is unchanged with M-hn Ba Saing continuing as Karen Affairs Minister.—Associated Press.

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Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Programme Summary: 9.01, Light Variety, 9.30, Songs by Paul Robeson, 10.00, Roundabout Variety Request Programme presented by Jean Hallyday. (Studio); 8.00, News and News Analysis (London Relay); 8.10, "See You" (London Relay); 8.20, "From the Editor's Desk" (London Relay); 8.30, "Theatre Orchestra Concert" conducted by Sir Thomas Beecham. (Broadcast); 10.10, "Anthology" presented by Clifford Davies. (Studio); 10.40, Dance to Guy Lombardo and His Royal Canadian. 11.00, Weather Report and Close Down.

US Senate Committee Considers Atlantic Pact

Washington, Apr. 5.—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee discussed the North Atlantic alliance in a 90-minute closed session today.

Senator Tom Connally (Democrat, Texas), the Chairman, declined to predict when the Treaty would come before the Senate for ratification.

President Truman is expected to send the Treaty to the Senate very soon.

But there may be some delay to enable him simultaneously to present Congress with his proposals for a foreign military assistance programme to implement its purposes.

The Treaty will not come into operation until it has been ratified by the United States, Britain, Canada, France, the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg.

Ratification by the United States will require a two-thirds majority vote in the Senate.

The Truman Administration is anxious for speedy action but the Senate is far behind schedule in its consideration of social reform "Fair Deal" legislation.

OPPOSITION EXPECTED

Action by the House of Representatives is not necessary for ratification, but the House will have to approve the Bill authorizing funds for the provision of military supplies to the North Atlantic and other Powers. More Congressional opposition is anticipated to this "bill" than to the formal ratification of the Treaty.

As soon as the Treaty comes into effect, the North Atlantic Powers will set up a Council of member States with a Military Staff Committee to co-ordinate their defence plans and resources.

The representatives of the Brussels Pact Powers lost no time yesterday and met with the United States Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, a few minutes after the formal signature of the Treaty.

Presumably, they discussed the integration of the Western Union defence system into the North Atlantic defence system.—Reuter.

Douglas May Lose Sight Of One Eye

Fishing Accident

London, Apr. 5.—An American Embassy spokesman said here tonight that there were fears that the American Ambassador, Mr Lewis Douglas, might lose the sight of one eye as the result of a fishing accident in which a fly hook caught in his eye.

Mr Douglas was fishing in the river Test, near Andover, Hampshire, one of the most beautiful rivers in England and a famous trout stream.

He was the weekend guest of the exclusive Houghton Fishing Club.

After the accident he was immediately rushed to hospital in Southampton and the eye was operated on yesterday. His engagements were cancelled for a week.

His condition this afternoon was said to be "as good as can be expected."

Mr Douglas is being attended by Mr Maurice Whiting, one of Bristol's leading eye surgeons.—Reuter.

TWO APPEALS REJECTED

London, Apr. 5.—The appeal of Harry Lewis against the sentence of death for the murder of Harry Saul Michaelson, cartoonist and variety artist, in a London flat was dismissed by the Court of Criminal Appeal today.

Lewis entered the flat as a burglar and struck Michaelson with a steel chair as Michaelson was getting out of bed.

The London Court of Criminal Appeal dismissed an appeal by Malcolm Frederick Roach, 34-year-old Canadian, living at Leyton, Essex, against his conviction of the murder of his 25-year-old wife, Rosa Louise. Roach had been sentenced to death.—Reuter.

Blood Transfusions Save Child

Paris, Apr. 5.—Ten-year-old Nicole Beltry was sitting up and playing in her hospital bed today after 43 people from her village had travelled 124 miles to Strasbourg to give her about eight pints of blood.

Nicole is suffering from leukaemia, a chronic blood disease, which necessitated a blood transfusion.—Reuter.

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U.S. TO TAKE CENSUS

Washington, Apr. 5.—The Census Bureau expects to find about 150,000,000 persons residing in the United States when it makes a population count next year.

Mr J. C. Capt, director of the Census Bureau, made the estimate before the House Appropriations sub-Committee today.

The last census, in 1940, showed 131,000,275 persons residing in the USA. The ten-year population increase, if the prediction is borne out, will be about 10,000,000.—United Press.

Between 6.30 and 7 o'clock a vast area was enveloped in flames which carried all before them. Altogether 10 deliveries and four motor pumps were used to quell the conflagration.

Some of the folks set about breaking down their structures and carried the wooden planks to a place of safety while in the Hongkong Shipyard compound there was much activity in removing wood.

By 8 o'clock the outbreak was brought under control.

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BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS By "SIDELINER"

UPSET IN JUNIOR SINGLES FINAL

M.T. Yeow Wins In Straight Sets

M. T. Yeow, Varsity left-hander, proved himself the best of the junior players last evening at the Kowloon Cricket Club when he overcame the favourite, D. C. Lau, of the YMCA, in straight sets in the Junior Men's Singles Championship Final—15-3, 15-9.

On his form last night Yeow thoroughly deserved his win. Time after time he made returns which would not have done shame to a senior player, and often he turned a losing shot into a winning one by his unexpected returns of almost impossible shots from the baseline which caught Lau flat-footed.

Lau appeared to be off his game last evening and seemed to be troubled by the court, his confidence seemed to be shaken and throughout most of the game he was on the defensive. He played most of his shots to Yeow's backhand, alternating lobs with short drops which often won points, but Yeow was equal to the situation and gradually obtained control of the game.

The opening game found Yeow taking an early lead of 4-0, with two fine smashing. Lau began hitting low across the net and his returns went beyond the baseline. He trailed 1-6 and then managed to win two points to bring the score to 3-5.

From this point onwards in the first stanza, Yeow took command of the game and although many a long rally ensued, Yeow proved equal to the occasion and through fine recoveries and smashes, which caught Lau off guard, he rattled off the remaining points for the first game to win 15-3.

The second game saw Yeow lead 2-0 when Lau renewed his attack on Yeow's backhand, forcing him to mishit and putting up "sitters" for Lau to kill. Lau ran up a lead of 8-4, but that was all he got.

Yeow began to rally and, coupled with some fine retrieving from the baseline which seemed to dishearten Lau, he brought the score to 9-9.

At this stage of the game several doubtful points were given against Lau who apparently became discouraged and never again regained his touch, losing set and match to Yeow at 15-3, 15-9.

LADIES' DOUBLES

The match between Miss Myrtle Silva and Miss Margaret Xavier (of Recreio) against Mrs L. F. Stokes and Mrs A. L. Tamworth (of K.C.C.) was the most thrilling and best game of the evening for speed and variety of strokes.

It was one of the fastest Ladies' matches yet seen in the Colony and the K.C.C. combination did extremely well to take the highly-fancied Recreio pair to three sets.

With a little luck on their side last night they might well have been the first post-war Colony Ladies' Doubles Champions. They led 10-6 in the deciding game and then trailed 14-13 at which stage they had two serves to deuce the game but frittered away their chances with two faults.

The game started off at a fast pace which was maintained throughout the entire match. There was no let-up for a single moment and the bustling tactics of Mrs Stokes & Mrs Tamworth deservedly won them the second game.

The third and deciding game found the K.C.C. combination continuing their fast attack and leading 10-6 before Miss Silva and Miss Xavier steadied their game and drew level. The score was again levelled at 12-12 but with several costly errors by Mrs Tamworth and a netted return by Mrs Stokes, Miss Myrtle Silva and Miss Margaret Xavier became the Colony Ladies' Doubles Champions, taking the match at 15-7, 10-15, 15-13.

SENIOR MIXED DOUBLES

The Senior Mixed Doubles final—Robert Tay & Miss Marie Ribeiro v. Patrick Wong & Miss H. H. Wong—was not particularly exciting.

Errors were many while the rallies were few and far between. After a split Tay appeared to lose his confidence and made no attempts to reach several passing shots made by Wong.

However, Miss Ribeiro played a grand game at net and made up for her faults with her services. Miss Lam also played well and with Tay and Miss Ribeiro concentrating their attack was her, she did as well as any one could under the circumstances.

Patrick Wong was brilliant for a time in the opening stages with his fine baseline smashes but towards the end of the

match he went off his game to a great extent. Tay and Miss Ribeiro won 15-12, 15-8.

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Danes Could Beat The Malaysians

Copenhagen, Apr. 5.—The all-conquering Malaysian badminton team, holders of the Thomas Cup, can be beaten by Denmark if the Danes play the right sort of game in their match starting here on April 11, according to Mr Ken Davidson, trainer-manager to the American Thomas Cup team.

In a letter to a Danish friend, Mr Davidson, a Scottish badminton champion and Yorkshire cricketer, wrote: "You can beat the Malaysians if you play right. Do not try to win too early and do not take any chances. Use clears and drops and keep the shuttle in play."

Although the Danish team has not been selected, the probabilities have settled down to a strict training routine and are determined to overtake their 8-1 defeat by the Malaysians in the final of the Thomas Cup at Preston.

The Malaysians will also take part in the international tournament which is to be played here during Easter.

Danish fans are eagerly waiting to see Chan King-leong in action with Tony Ahn, holder of the Danish women's singles title, whom he is expected to partner in the mixed doubles.

A feature of the mixed doubles may be the appearance of Dr Dave Freeman, All-England champion and American No. 1 player who has not been defeated in a singles match for ten years. He has enabled stating that he wants to appear in the doubles with his wife.

This caused some surprise among Danish badminton

AIRMEN'S "OLYMPICS"

RAF (Hongkong) won the final of the Cricket Championship at the Air Command Far East Games at Singapore yesterday afternoon when they beat RAF (Ceylon) by 11 runs.

The scores were: Hongkong 82 for 9; Ceylon 71 all out. In the morning, Hongkong's RAF Cricket XI beat RAF (Selektor) in the semi-final by nine runs. The scores: Hongkong 97, Selektor 88.

Today, as the RAF Inter-Station "Olympics" continue, RAF (Hongkong) plays RAF (Malaya) at hockey this morning while the Hongkong team also contests the final of the tennis championship this afternoon.

CHAMPIONS' TEAM

The following have been chosen to represent the "Champions" against the rest of the Colony on Saturday, April 9, at King's Park. Game to commence at 1.45 p.m. sharp.

A. M. P. (Capt), P. M. Nolasco da Silva, Jr., Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, Dr. E. L. Gosano, B. T. Gosano, L. G. Gosano, G. N. Gosano, A. P. Pereira, Jr., N. A. Beltrao, E. M. L. Soares, D. de A. Remedios; Umpire, A. V. Gosano.

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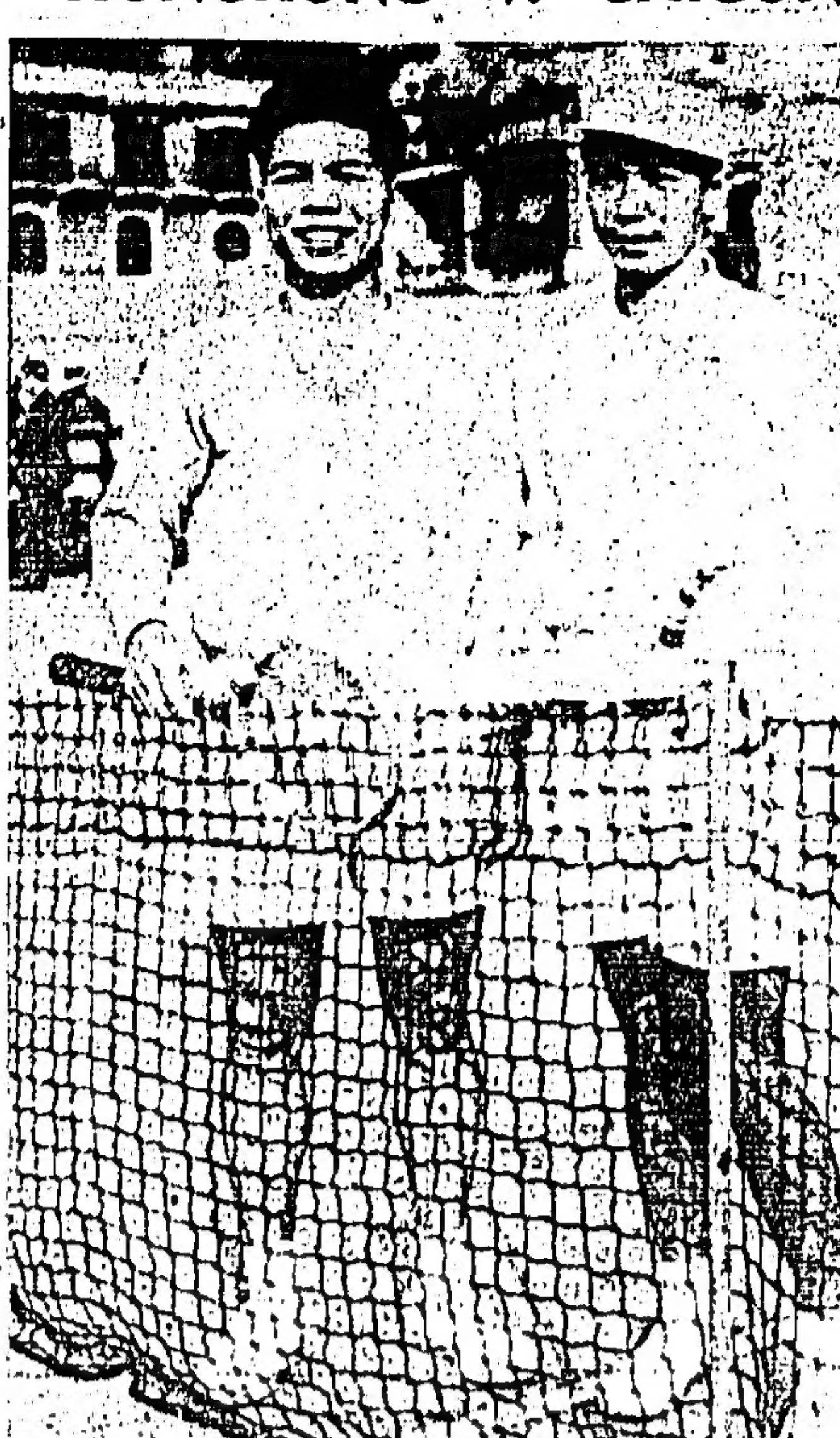
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HONGKONG v. SAIGON



Ip Koon-hung, Hongkong Open Singles Champion, and Duong, Saigon's No. 2, who meet again this evening at the HKCC in a match between Saigon and Hongkong to be run on Davis Cup lines.—Telegraph Staff Photographer.

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Monaghan now holds four titles, for he is also the British and British Empire champion.

The Irishman owed his victory to a brilliant display of left hand hitting, which amazed even his own supporters.

The referee, Mr. C. E. Thomas, of Wales, showed not the slightest hesitation in raising Monaghan's hand at the end of 15 punishing rounds. Immediately the contest was over, supporters jumped into the ring to congratulate Monaghan, who put his gloved hands to his chest as if in pain. After a drink from a bottle, however, he revived and with blood still trickling from a cut over his left eye, he crooned "When Irish Eyes are Smiling," accompanied by the packed audience.

NOT A DOUBT

There was no doubt about Monaghan's win. Throughout the whole of the 15 rounds he dictated the course of the exchanges, continually peppering his opponent's face with strong left leads and countering cleverly with hard rights to the jaw as Sandeyron advanced to the attack.

The Frenchman strove pluckily in the later rounds to turn the tables, but he could never fathom a way of overcoming Monaghan's rapier-like left. Instead, he seemed to have little defence and was eager to make a close quarters fight of it. He suffered dearly for his wish. Monaghan led him on and then drove in a right or more frequently a left, which halted Sandeyron and then drove him back.

STAGGERING

The Irishman, apart from possibly the fourth and thirteenth rounds, appeared to win every session, and in the tenth he had the Frenchman, suffering from an injured left eye, staggering about the ring dazed and hardly aware of the proceedings.

To Sandeyron's credit, he weathered this furious onslaught and in the eleventh round carried the fight to his opponent for a brief period.

Monaghan again turned to the attack and once more the Frenchman was on the receiving end.

On the very infrequent occasions when Monaghan tried to "fix it," he did not have the better of matters, and it obviously paid him the best dividends when he resorted to his magnificent boxing skill.—Reuter.

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Footballer Of The Season

By FRANK BUTLER

Footballer of the season is the old-timer, Raich Carter. Manager of the season is the young Mr Horatio Stratton Carter, of the silver hair and golden football brain.

Ambiguous if you like, but Carter, in spite of his football brilliance, is in the twilight of his playing career at 35. Yet he is on the threshold of a new and exciting career as one of the youngest managers in League football.

The odd set-up is that the man who has doubled the Hull "gates," put them within touching distance of the Second Division, and taken them into the Sixth Round of the Cup with an astounding 2-0 win over Stoke City, on the First Division club's ground, is not allowed more than £12 a week as long as he remains registered as a player.

As manager he must be worth anything between £1,000 and £2,000 a year to the club he has put on the Soccer map. Football League rules restrict him to a maximum wage of under £600, apart from bonuses.

Yet Carter said to me: "If I am wanted as a player next season I shall be at the club's disposal." Another odd thing about the remarkable Carter is that after 25 years as an inside forward—he began as a ten-year-old inside left for Hendon Schoolboys, Sunderland—he has started at 35, doing what comes naturally on the left wing, of all places.

BEWILDERED

And by this I mean that against Stoke he allowed his great football brain to carry him wherever he was most dangerous—inside right, inside right, centre forward, and sometimes

outside right. The bewildered Stoke defence, and five Carters opposing them, taking corner kicks and throw-ins on the right wing.

Carter yesterday explained the reason that prompted him to become a left winger, "at my time of life."

Eddie Burbanks went down with tummy trouble. Raich did not want to upset the balance of the inside forward, Jensen the Dane, and Euclean.

"Although my best football was played at inside right," said Carter, "my left foot is my favourite football foot, so here was a chance of serving Hull on the left wing."

Then Carter told me something that has never been written before. It is what we might term an ambidextrous sportsman. Although he writes left-handed, he uses scissors with his right hand.

He is a left-handed billiards player, plays golf and table tennis right-handed. At cricket he is a right-hand batsman, but bowls with his left.

"I'm a queer mixture," laughs Carter, "so I suppose I can also be termed a two-footed footballer, although I have heard rumours that I have only one foot—and that's my left. But I can use my right foot O.K. We want a home draw to give our loyal fans a break."

HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP

NBA Lists Savold As Logical Contender

Washington, Apr. 5.—The National Boxing Association ordered its version of the heavyweight title "officially vacated" for the first time in 21 years today, but named three boxers as logical contenders for the crown that Joe Louis gave up.

The NBA said it would recognise as champion the winner of the Ezzard Charles-Jersey Joe Walcott fight this summer. But in its quarter annual listings it also designated Lee Savold as a logical contender.

Otherwise the only change in the eight weight categories was reinstating Willie Pep as featherweight champion and listing Sandy Saddler as the only logical contender.

LISTINGS

The listings were: Lighthweight—Freddie Mills of England and the champion and Gus Lesnevich and Archie Moore as logical contenders. Welterweight—Ray Robinson, champion. Kid Gavilan of Cuba and Charlie Fusari and Frankie Fernandez of Honolulu, logical contenders.

Lighthweight—Willie Williams, champion. Freddie Dawson and Enrique Bolanos, logical contenders.

Naval Boxing Championships

The Royal Navy Fleet Open Boxing Championships will get under way today at 5 p.m. at Murray Barracks.

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TODAY'S SOCCER

Navy v Kwong Wah, Navy, 5.15 p.m.; Referee: J. Ward. Linesmen: A. Ribeiro and S. Y. Kwok.

Police v Army, Boundary, 5.15 p.m.; Referee: A. E. P. Guest; Linesmen: W. Gibson and H. Richardson.

Second Division: W. D. Chinese v KMB, Army "1", 5.15 p.m.; Referee: F. A. Barretto.

Club v Army-HK Club, 5.15 p.m.; Referee: A. Deacon.

First Division: S. A. Soekunpo, 5.15 p.m.; Referee: Lt. Davoy.

Home Football

London, Apr. 5.—The results of football games played today were: First Division: Tottenham v Arsenal, 2-1; Arsenal v Tottenham, 1-2.

Third Division: Northern: Barrow 1, Crewe Alexandra 0; Scottish League: Rangers 2, Hearts 1.

Rugby Union: Saracens 3, Newbridge 6; Penzance 3, Newport 11.—Reuter.

Bowls Match

There will be a lawn bowls match between the K.C.C. and the Sports Club at K.C.C. on Saturday at 3 p.m. Will all those bowling enthusiasts who signed up the list for the coming season please turn up. Four rinks will be chosen and the remainder will make up rinks with T. A. Mader in charge.

OPEN ATHLETIC MEET

An Athletic Meet open to the Colony will be held at Caroline Hill Stadium on May 19, 20 and 22. It is being sponsored by the South China Athletic Association.

Entries for this meet close on May 5. The programme of events will be announced later.



Mister Conquest

I AM TAKING OVER MY BROTHER'S BOAT UNTIL HE RETURNS—AND THAT GOES FOR HIS SUBSIDIARY TOO, YOU TOO.

I AM SORRY, MISTER CONQUEST, I AM NOT INTERESTED.

BE CAREFUL, YOU DO NOT LOSE IT AGAIN!

HAVE A LITTLE SURPRISE FOR YOU, NICOLA MIA—I HAVE FOUND THE SCORPION BOOCH YOU WERE LOST.

TINE MEAT TALKS

Won't Be To Ransom" Says Eden

PROMISES GOVERNMENT OPPOSITION SUPPORT

London, Apr. 5.—The deputy leader of the Conservative Opposition, Mr. Anthony Eden, today pledged the Conservatives "full support" to the Government in resisting any attempt to hold Britain to "ransom" in the current Anglo-Argentine meat negotiations at Buenos Aires.

"No country that has any self-respect is ever willing to be held to ransom," he said. Amid the cheers of the House of Commons, Mr. Eden added: "Therefore, the Government will have the full support from this side of the House in resisting such methods if any attempt is made to apply them by any country at any time."

Mr. Eden was opening a debate on Britain's meat position. In the past few weeks, the British fresh meat ration has twice been reduced by 2d. because of a shortfall in supplies from the Argentine. It is now 8d. worth a week for each person—which can be stretched to last a family for two or three meals—plus 2d. worth of corned meat.

(A Reuters cable from Buenos Aires said substantial modification in Argentina's meat price demands to Britain was being made by the Independent Buenos Aires newspapers, La Prensa and La Nacion today.)

Quoting diplomatic and commercial circles, both newspapers said that an agreement would probably be reached "in the neighbourhood of two pence per kilogram."

Mr. Eden said the present British meat and bacon ration was "pitifully inadequate." They were less than 46 pounds a year compared with 110 pounds a year before the war. He asked why such "miserable small quantities" of meat were coming from Eire. Consumers were willing to pay such increase to Eire if they could be assured of an increase in the quantity available.

NO MARKET AVAILABLE
There did not appear to be any overseas market from which Britain could expect any substantial increase of meat. It would be a great source of comfort if she could rely for the bulk of her meat supplies, particularly of beef, upon Australia and home production. Asking for a full explanation of the fall in home production, Mr. Eden said no doubt feeding stuffs were available in the world, but the Government seemed not to be buying them as a matter of deliberate policy.

In his reference to Commonwealth supplies, Mr. Eden said he had some sympathy with the Canadians because they were encouraged two years ago to produce more and now Britain had run into the dollar difficulty (which he thought could have been foreseen), and could not take their production.

Dr. Edith Summerskill, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Food, said that Britain could no longer buy meat from the United States or Canada because she had not sufficient dollars. As for bacon and ham, Britain had an agreement with Canada for 71,000 tons, but she was afraid that a "very substantial shortfall is expected."

CRITICAL PERIOD
"If, for any reason, Argentine shipments cease after the end of March, we shall lose 240,000 tons, in the meantime, we are faced with a very critical period. Until the home production becomes available in August and September, we shall have to conserve our supplies very carefully."

Dr. Summerskill informed the House that Uruguay had sent much of her meat to the United States and Europe rather than to Britain. Asked what action would be taken when contracts were broken, she replied that having made a contract with a small country Britain had no option but to accept the position.

Mr. Eden had declared that the mass of the British people were worse off than many of their counterparts in Europe. Dr. Summerskill replied that the 1947-48

consumption of meat per head in Britain was 49.7 kilos, in France 44.5, in Belgium 43.8, in Italy 13.7 and in Holland 23.3

CANNOT SUPPLY

During the debate, Mr. Wilfred Roberts, Liberal, asked why it was unlikely that Britain would get all the bacon she expected from Canada? Was it purely a question of the overall shortage of dollars?

The Food Minister, Mr. John Strachey, "Canada cannot supply us with the bacon we are prepared to buy."

Mr. Roberts: "Is that due to more home consumption or is it because they are selling more bacon to the United States as they are selling their increased stocks of beef?"

Mr. Stanley Evans, Labour, said that he would rather the negotiators caught the next plane out of Buenos Aires than negotiate another agreement that was likely to meet the same fate as the Andes Agreement. He thought if Britain ceased buying Argentine meat, Argentine refrigerators would be "bursting within three months with sides of beef" that could not be sold anywhere else.

"We should then know who had won the cold storage war," he said. He added that this was not the sort of attitude which should obtain between old friends.—Reuters.

AUSTRALIAN PLAN

London, Apr. 5.—The Prime Minister of Australia, Mr. Joseph Chifley, will bring to London next month the outline of a vast long-term development plan to step up Britain's meat supplies. The plan visualises great new cattle rearing projects in Australia's undeveloped Northern Territories, involving heavy capital expenditure.

Australia can go ahead with such a plan only against a firm guarantee that Britain will take her products over a long period and at an economic price. She wants at least a 10-year contract, and the scheme is expected to stand or fall by Britain's willingness to meet her on this point and on price.

The Australian plan will not solve Britain's present urgent meat problem, caused by Argentina's failure to supply the full 420,000 tons of meat called for in 1948-49 under the Andes Agreement, which expired last month.

Australia, despite the labour shortage and other problems, is trying to increase the present supplies. But it is recognised that on a long-term basis, and in view of her own increasing population, new and ambitious schemes of meat production are needed.—Reuters.

The Flying Wolf Exterminator

Moscow, Apr. 5.—Sergei Gorbunov, the Soviet Union's chief flying wolf exterminator, reported a record bag of 438 shots from his plane. In the last three winters, while flying over the Volga valley, he killed 730 big grey wolves.—United Press.



Oil Field Fire



A huge gas fire of unknown origin broke out between two oil wells in the South Houston oil field recently, threatening several residential areas in suburban Houston. Glare and flames could be seen as far as 15 miles. — AP Picture.

TUC Backs British Action In Malaya

London, Apr. 5.—The General Council of the Trades Union Congress today rebuffed allegations that trade unionism in Malaya was being suppressed. It suggested that Communists were behind these and other allegations that the presence of British troops in Malaya was "an affront to the people of Malaya in their desire for independence."

The TUC issued a statement giving an informal account of its activities during the last six months. "Attempts are being made in some Communist quarters to inspire resolutions in the Trade Union Movement condemning the alleged suppression of trade unionism in Malaya," the statement reported. "We have the judgment of experienced and trusted trade union representatives from this country who are able to give a first-hand knowledge of the trade union situation in Malaya. No respect does it (their report) bear out the propaganda now being foisted on the Movement for purely Communist purposes."

(The report of Mr. F. W. Dalley and Mr. S. Abery, Members of Parliament, who examined conditions in Malaya at the request of Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, Secretary of State for the Colonies, is due out shortly.)

EFFECT OF TROOPS
"On the other hand, the presence of British troops prevented a handful of terrorists (mainly, by the way, recently-arrived Chinese) from capturing the machinery of government and imposing their will on the vast majority of peaceful and industrious citizens."

"Evidence from the production figures last year shows that the terrorists are on infinitesimal minority, and that the great bulk of the people of Malaya want to do nothing but to carry on peaceful working lives."

"The proof of these peaceful desires of the overwhelming majority of the Malayan population is particularly evident in the figures for rubber and tin, which would, of course, be most affected if the events in Malaya were disturbing the bulk of the population. So far as trade union activities are concerned, 156 trade union organisations with a total membership of over 69,000 were functioning without restraint on December 31, 1948, and continued efforts are being made by the Government to foster the growth of sound trade unionism, and it has been made clear that the emergency measures are not to interfere with bona fide trade union activities."—Reuters.

BRITISH GOODS CRITICISED

Wellington, Apr. 5.—The "poor design" of many British goods sold in New Zealand was discussed at a meeting of architects here today. Dr. J. C. Bingle, senior Lecturer in History at Victoria University College, said some buyers of British goods for big New Zealand firms still had the mentality of colonial savages. They would fall for "horrors" turned out for colonial savages.—Reuters.

Heavy Fighting In Greece

Athens, Apr. 5.—A new Communist invasion of the Grammos redoubt from Albania has touched off fighting of "unprecedented violence and ferocity," front line reports said on Tuesday night.

A government communique admitted the guerrillas captured four border villages and five mountain heights, but said all the heights were recaptured. Government forces were also driven out of Assimohori, on the border.

The communique listed 150 guerrilla casualties, including 132 killed, up to Monday night, and 247 government casualties, including 87 killed.

The Spring offensive coincided with a guerrilla radio announcement of a new Greek Communist government replacing that of the purged Markos Vassilades. For the first time, a representative of the "Free Macedonian Movement" (NOC) was given a place in the Cabinet.

REBUILDING MORALE

The purpose of the attack apparently is to rebuild Communist morale, shattered by defeats of the past several months and the purging of Markos.

It also may be linked with the movement to set up a separate Macedonia — from parts of Greece, Yugoslavia, Albania and Bulgaria — for the first time since its conquest by Christian era.

The Greek general staff said Albanians were joining the guerrillas.

The Army said about 4,000 Greek guerrillas crossed the Albanian border and began the assault last Friday night in the rugged Grammos mountain area and captured important heights 16 miles inside Greece. These were mountains from which they were driven last autumn.—Associated Press.

POCKET CARTOON BY OSBERT LANCASTER



YOU WORK BETTER IF YOU CHEW

Chicago, Apr. 5.—A doctor said today that chewing gum, nibbling candy and sucking pencils were an important part of doing work. Dr. Lee Bartelmeir of Detroit said eating and working were two aspects of a single psychological factor. He added that he found one corporation which reported that its typists were 17 percent more efficient when chewing gum. He reported on his study to the American Psychiatric Association meeting here.

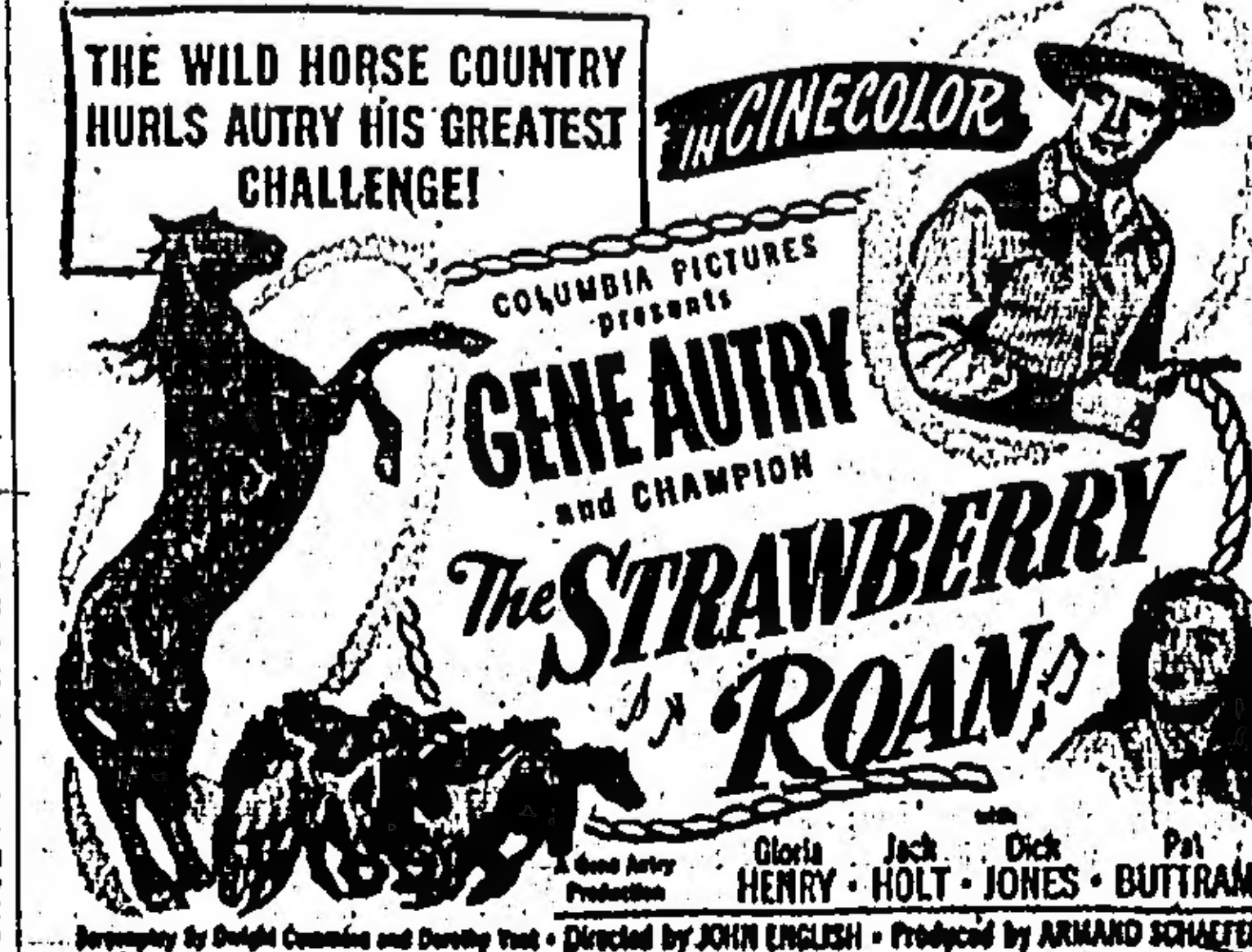
Watching people at work, Dr. Bartelmeir found there was usually some movement of mouth, lips or jaws as in eating when the worker was concentrating. "If the worker encounters difficulty in doing the job, the eating movements become stronger."

Many competent workers suck or chew their pencils, pens while carrying out their tasks," he added. "The majority of them smoke."

Here is how he explained these observations: "These discharges of oral impulses which accompany their working efforts suggest the likelihood that their working does not provide sufficient release of tension and they have need for additional discharge of their instinctive childhood oral drives of nursing and biting."—United Press.

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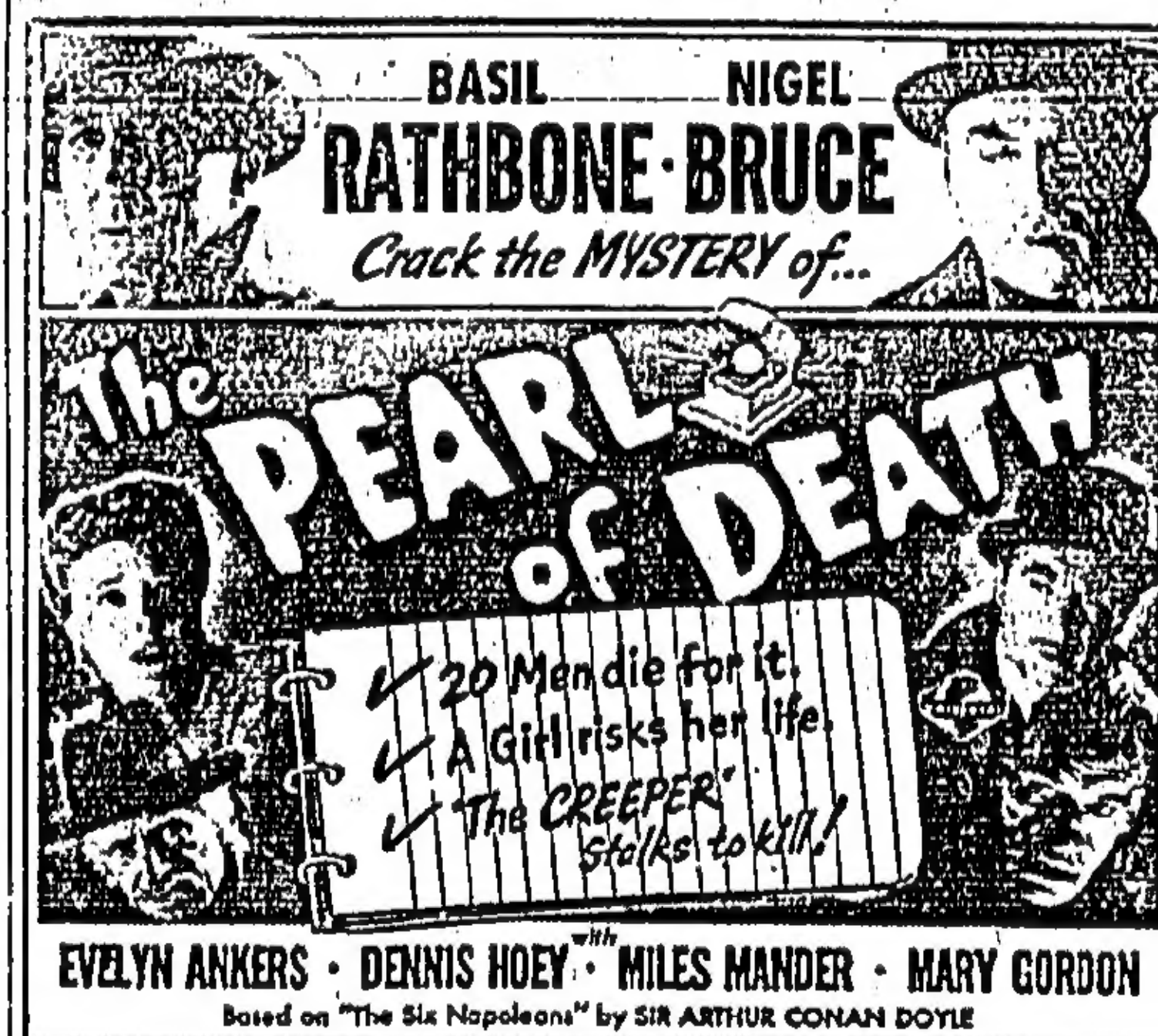
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R. A. WICKERSON,
Managing Director.

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